Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 27 Mar 2024 until 23:59 on Thursday 28 Mar 2024

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 27 Mar 2024 at 03:11

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions continuing with low pressure generally to the west of the UK, but lower for details.

Headline for Wednesday 27 Mar 2024: Morning rain, sleet and snow, brighter afternoon with wintry showers. Breezy.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 27 Mar 2024

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy snow showers	Thundery showers	Heavy snow showers	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
80%	90%	60%	60%	60%	30%

Forecast for Wednesday 27 Mar 2024

Weather: Mainly dry through the early hours with clear spells but cloud increasing towards dawn. Some early brightness in the east but cloud and outbreaks of rain, falling as sleet and snow above around 800m, spreading northeast soon after dawn, becoming more persistent and heavy for a time, with a risk of blizzards over higher mountains given the strong southerly winds. Rain clears during the late morning to sunny spells and showers, these generally rain or hail on the lower foothills but falling as snow above around 500-600m. The showers becoming heavy at times during the afternoon, with a risk of thunder, before turning lighter and more isolated through the early evening. Drier for a time before the risk of more persistent rain spreading north towards midnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: Little chance through the middle of the morning, otherwise around 60%.

Low cloud and visibility: Persistent cloud above 300-500m for a time around the middle of the morning, otherwise occasional cloud above 500-700m, with patches below in showers. Away from cloud visibility good, falling to just a few kilometres in snow and less than a kilometre in heavier snow, and near zero in any blizzards, becoming very good in the afternoon with just brief, but significant reductions, in snow showers at height.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	29/37 S	19/25 SW	19/27 S	20/28 S	22/30 S	18/25 S	15/20 SE
300	15/32 S	11/21 SW	12/25 S	14/26 S	14/28 S	11/25 S	6/13 E
Valley	11/28 S	9/20 SW	11/24 S	13/26 S	12/26 S	10/24 S	6/13 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	2/-5	1/-6	2/-4	2/-4	1/-6	0/-6	0/-5
300	5/0	2/-2	6/2	5/1	3/-2	2/-2	2/-1
Valley	6/2	3/-1	6/3	6/2	4/-0	3/-1	2/-0
Freezing Level*	900m	600m	600m	600m	600m	500m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A cold, wintry day, especially on higher mountains, with gusts around 50mph over higher ridges and summits.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Wed 27 Mar 2024	1.6mm	8.6mm	9.4mm

Forecast for Thursday 28 Mar 2024

Weather: A rather cloudy day with occasionally heavy showers or longer spells of rain and sleet and summit snow, with a risk of thunderstorms.

Maximum wind: Southeasterly veering southwesterly 25-30mph, with gusts around 50mph over ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: Around 25%.

Low cloud and visibility: Periods or persistent, but occasional at times, above 600-750m, lowering to 450m at times in more persistent precipitation. Away from the cloud visibility good or very good falling to several kilometres in rain and a kilometre or less in summit snow.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Around plus 3 or 4 Celsius through the early hours rising to plus 10 or 11 Celsius by day
At 600m: Around plus 1 Celsius rising to plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: Around 700m rising to just above the highest summits.

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